

ADLINGTON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

R E P O R T

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

31st DECEMBER,

1970.

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To: THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS of the ADLINGTON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Madam Chairman and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting to you the Report on the Health and Sanitary Circumstances of the District for the year ended 31st December 1970.

According to the Registrar General's mid-June Estimates of Population, the population for Adlington was 4830, which is 150 more than last year's figure.

The number of live births assignable to the District was 93 - one more than in 1969. This gives a Birth Rate for the Urban District of 19.3 per 1000 population (adjusted 19.3) compared with a Birth Rate for the country as a whole of 16.0.

The number of deaths attributable to the District was 58 which is 6 less than in the previous year, giving a Death Rate of 12.0 per 1000 (adjusted 12.6) compared with the Death Rate for England and Wales of 11.7. Of these deaths, 1 was 93, 5 were 85 or more, 8 were 80 or more, 11 were 75 or more, and 9 were 65 or more. There was one death from a motor vehicle accident - a man of 22.

The number of deaths from malignant neoplasms was 11 - one more than last year, and includes one death from Leukaemia. Coronary artery disease was responsible for the deaths of 15 persons, 3 of these being under 65 years of age.

There was one death of an infant under one year of age, the same as last year. This gives an Infant Mortality Rate of 11.0 per 1000 live births compared with 18.0 for the country as a whole. There was one stillbirth as against none last year.

The number of cases of Infectious Diseases notified was 124 as against 17 in 1969 - 9 Scarlet Fever, 105 Measles, 3 Whooping Cough, 6 Infective Jaundice and one Food Poisoning.

The County Health Clinic in Railway Road is increasingly well-used.

Twenty-five applications for Grants to improve houses were received and approved during the year from owner-occupiers of houses lacking some or all of the standard amenities.

Considerable private housing development is still taking place. 57 houses and bungalows were completed during the year, 48 were under construction on four sites at the end of the year, and plans for a further 70 dwellings have been approved for these sites.

Following a detailed survey of houses in Anderton Street, my Official Representation in respect of 22 houses in this Street was submitted to the Public Health Committee in December, and the Anderton Street (Slum Clearance) Compulsory Purchase Order 1970 was made by the Council on 14th December 1970 and will be sent to the Minister of the Environment for confirmation in 1971.

Samples of raw milk collected from a local producer-retailer by your Public Health Inspector were found to contain brucella organisms, and accordingly, a Heat Treatment Notice was served on the producer-retailer on 25th November 1970 to remain in force until the Laboratory reports showed that further samples of milk were free from infection.

Sewage Disposal - the Council's proposals to lay a trunk sewer down the Douglas Valley via Standish to the Hoscar Works at Wigan are expected to be submitted to the Minister, and tenders invited, in 1971.

Other matters concerning the environmental conditions are dealt with in the Report.

Your Deputy Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Pover, resigned his appointment on 30th June 1970, and Dr. L. M. Mayer-Jones was appointed in his place in October 1970.

I wish to express my appreciation of the valuable assistance I receive from Mr. A. Livesey, the Public Health Inspector and Surveyor, and of the willing co-operation of other members of the Staff. I am grateful to the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee for the support and consideration extended to me.

I am, Madam Chairman and Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,

J. WALKER

Medical Officer of Health.

August 1971.

URBAN DISTRICT OF ADLINGTON

VITAL STATISTICS 1970

<u>Area</u>	... 1062 acres
Population (Registrar General's Estimate mid-June 1970)	.. 4830.
Number of inhabited houses at end December 1970	.. 1821
Rateable Value at 1st April 1970	.. £129,458.
Product of 1d Rate	.. £508.

Births

		<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Live Births - Legitimate	..	37	54	91
Illegitimate	..	2	-	2
		<u>39</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>93</u>
Birth Rate per 1000 population - Crude		=	19.3	
Adjusted		=	19.3	
Illegitimate live births per cent of total live births		=	2.0	
Stillbirths	..	..	=	1
Total live and stillbirths ..			=	94
Stillbirth rate per 1000 live births		=	11.0	

Deaths

		<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Deaths of Infants under one year	..	1	-	1
ditto under 4 weeks	..	1	-	1
ditto under 1 week	..	1	-	1
Infant Mortality Rate per 1000 live births		=	11.0	
Legitimate		=	nil	
Illegitimate		=	500.0	
Neo-natal Mortality Rate	..		=	11.0
Early Neo-natal Mortality Rate	..		=	11.0
Peri-natal Mortality Rate (Stillbirths and deaths under one week combined for 1000 total live and stillbirths)		=	21.0	
Maternal deaths (including abortion)			=	nil
Maternal Mortality Rate per 1000 live births and stillbirths			=	nil

<u>Deaths (all ages)</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
	34	24	58
Death Rate per 1000 population			
All Causes .. Crude		=	12.0
Adjusted		=	12.6
Death Rate per 1000 from Malignant neoplasms		=	2.2

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CAUSES OF DEATH shown by AGE and SEX

Cause of Death	Sex	All Ages	Under 4 weeks	1 - 4	15-24	45-54	55-64	65-74	75 -
Malignant Neoplasm Buccal cavity etc.	M	1						1	
	F	1						1	
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	M	-					-		
	F	3					3		
Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	M	-							-
	F	1							1
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	M	2					2		
	F	-					-		
Leukaemia	M	-				-			
	F	1					1		
Other Malignant Neoplasms	M	1						1	
	F	1						1	
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	M	-						-	
	F	4						3	1
Hypertensive Disease	M	2						2	
	F	2						1	1
Ischaemic Heart Disease	M	11				1	2	4	4
	F	4				-	-	-	4
Other forms of Heart Disease	M	-				-			
	F	1				1			
Cerebrovascular Disease	M	3						1	2
	F	2						1	1
Other Diseases of Circulatory system	M	2							2
	F	2							2
Influenza	M	1				1			
	F	-				-			
Pneumonia	M	3			1			2	
	F	1			-				
Bronchitis and Emphysema	M	2						-	1
	F	1						1	-
Other Diseases of Respiratory system	M	1							1
	F	-							-
Peptic Ulcer	M	1							1
	F	-							-
Hyperplasia of Prostate	M	1							1
Congenital Anomalies	M	1	1						
	F	-	-						
Motor Vehicle Accidents	M	1				1			
	F	-				-			
All other Accidents	M	-							-
	F	1							1
All other external causes	M	1						1	
	F	-						-	
Total All Causes	M	34	1	1	2	1	5	12	12
	F	24	-	-	-	2	4	7	11

Live Births	Deaths (All Causes)			Stillbirths			Maternal Mortality			Infant Mortality		
	Number registered	Rate per 1000 (crude)	Rate per 1000 (crude)	Number registered	Rate per 1000 live births	Number of deaths registered	Rate per 1000 live births	Number of deaths registered	Rate per 1000 live births	Total	Number of deaths registered	Rate per 1000 live births
Year 1970	93	19.3	58	12.0	1	11.0	-	-	1	11.0	1	11.0
Year 1969	92	19.7	64	13.7	-	-	-	-	1	11.0	-	-
Year 1968	84	18.2	45	9.8	2	23.0	-	-	2	24.0	-	-
Year 1967	82	18.0	69	15.1	1	12.0	-	-	4	49.0	2	48.0
Year 1966	72	15.9	44	9.7	1	13.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Year 1965	82	18.1	47	10.4	-	-	-	-	1	12.2	-	-
Average - 5 years 1965-1969	82.4	18.0	54	11.74	0.8	9.74	-	-	1.6	19.24	0.4	9.6

Adjusted - Live Birth-rate - Comparability Factor 1.00 = 19.3 per 1000.
 Death-rate - Comparability factor 1.05 = 12.6 per 1000.

GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICE

Staff

Medical Officer of Health: - J. Walker, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., L.D.S., D.P.D. Divisional Medical Officer to the Health Division No.4 Lancashire County Council, and Medical Officer of Health to the Borough of Chorley, the Urban District Councils of Fulwood, Leyland, Longridge and Walton-le-Dale, and to Preston and Chorley Rural District Councils.

Deputy Medical Officer of Health - L. M. Mayer-Jones, L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., D.P.H., Senior Assistant Divisional Medical Officer to the Health Division No.4 Lancashire County Council.

Laboratory Facilities

Pathological Laboratory, Preston Royal Infirmary.
Public Health Laboratory, Preston Royal Infirmary.

The Public Health Laboratory caters for every aspect of the Public Health work of a Local Authority related to the bacteriological and pathological examination of samples and specimens.

Ambulance Facilities

Provided by the Lancashire County Council Ambulance Service (Chorley Station). All the ambulance vehicles are now radio-controlled from the County Ambulance Headquarters at Broughton - Telephone: Broughton 2678.

Nursing in the Home

There are two District Nurses operating in the area - Miss W. Burns, The Bungalow, Town Lane, Charnock Richard - Telephone: Coppull 423, and Mrs. M. J. Anderton, 7 Grove Crescent, Adlington. - Telephone: Ellerbeck 796.

Treatment Clinics

Ancillary School Clinics (Orthopaedic, Dental and Eye, etc.) are held at Collison Avenue, Chorley, and are attended by practitioners of Specialist status.

Tuberculosis Clinics

The Chest Clinic, Chorley and District Hospital. A Chest Physician attends. This Clinic is also used as a consultant Clinic for chest conditions other than Tuberculosis.

Hospital Facilities

Chorley and District Hospital.
Eaves Lane Hospital, Chorley.
Bolton Infirmary.
Wigan Infirmary
Preston Royal Infirmary
Sharoe Green Hospital, Fulwood.
Heath Charnock Hospital
Whalley Hospital, Wigan.
Deepdale Hospital, Preston
Longsands Hospital, Fulwood.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE

These services are administered by the Lancashire County Council.

Domiciliary Facilities

There is no County Midwife resident in the District, the service is provided from adjacent areas.

Maternity Beds

An important and pleasing event during the past year was the completion and official opening of the Maternity Unit at Chorley and District Hospital by Dame Kathleen Raven, D.B.E., S.R.N., S.C.M., Chief Nursing Officer, Department of Health and Social Security, on the 14th October, 1970. This attractive unit of 44 beds replaces the outmoded units at this and Eaves Lane Hospital.

Ante-natal Clinics

Consequent upon the opening of the above-mentioned unit, the ante-natal sessions previously held at the School Clinic, Chorley, were discontinued and are now held at the new Maternity unit.

Health Clinic, Adlington

A Child Health Centre is held twice weekly (Mondays and Wednesdays 2-4 p.m.) at the Health Clinic, Railway Road, Adlington, and is attended by a Medical Officer of the Lancashire County Council as well as a County Health Visitor and a Clinic Nurse.

A relaxation class for expectant mothers is held on Tuesday afternoons at 1.30 p.m.

A chiropodist attends two mornings a week to attend to old people and registered handicapped people.

A class for blind persons is held each week on Friday afternoon.

Health Visitor

The County Health Visitor for the area is Miss M. W. Jones, who may be contacted at the Health Clinic, Railway Road, Adlington.

PREVENTION AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES

During the year the following cases of Infectious Disease were notified:

	<u>1970</u>	<u>1969</u>
Measles	105	6
Scarlet Fever	9	4
Whooping Cough	3	-
Tuberculosis	-	2
Infective Jaundice	6	5
Food Poisoning	1	-

It is pleasing to record that this is the 26th successive year without a Diphtheria case being notified.

One new case of Pulmonary Tuberculosis - a transfer into Adlington - was added to the Register, and one man who was added to the Register in 1969 removed back to Ireland in 1970.

The total number of cases on the Register at the end of 1970 was 5 of which 4 were pulmonary and one was non-pulmonary.

One case of Food Poisoning was notified during the year: the causative organism was found to be *Salmonella virchow*.

As stated in my last Report a vaccine is now available against Measles and it is hoped that parents of children who have not had the disease will have them protected - a simple procedure involving only one injection - so that measles may be eradicated as has been practically so in several other infectious diseases. During the year 1970 protection against yet another infectious disease became available - namely rubella or german measles. This disease is now recognised as a serious danger to women during pregnancy because of its potentially harmful effects on the unborn child resulting in congenital abnormalities. Vaccination against german measles is offered to all girls between the ages of 11 and 14 years and again only one injection is required. The availability of these latest vaccines must not, however, lead

to the neglect of protection against diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus and poliomyelitis, otherwise there is a real danger of the reappearance of these diseases as has been emphasized by the recent outbreak of diphtheria in Manchester. A disease against which no really effective measures of control have yet been found is infective jaundice and 6 cases of the disease were notified in the District during 1970. Infective jaundice was made generally notifiable in 1968 under the Public Health (Infective Jaundice) Regulations.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

Water Supply

The water supply of the area is provided (1) from Blackrod Reservoir by arrangement with Bolton Corporation Water Undertaking, and (2) from a tapping of Thirlmere Aqueduct by arrangement with Manchester Corporation. The supplies are interchangeable and complementary.

Both supplies are chlorinated.

During the year 24 samples of water were submitted for bacteriological examination, six of these were unsatisfactory due to a fault in the chlorination system which was subsequently remedied.

Two samples of water - one from each supplier - were sent for chemical analysis - details are given below:-

	Manchester Corporation Thirlmere Aqueduct	Blackrod Urban District Council
Total solids in solution ..	40	192
Nitrates	0.31	0.38
Nitrites	nil	nil
Lead, Copper, Zinc ..	nil	nil
Total Iron	0.09	0.12
Fluorine	0.021	0.07
pH Value 7.3	7.3	

"Both samples are free from copper, lead and zinc. The amount of iron is less than the limit of 0.3 per million usually accepted for this metal. The Fluoride content in both cases is considerably less than the recommended optimum level of one part per million for fluoridated water. The supplies may be accepted as wholesome."

Consumption

Every house in the Urban District has a "mains" supply of water. During the year ended 31st December 1970 73,601,000 gallons were consumed for all purposes, giving an average daily consumption for all purposes of 41.77 gallons per head of the population per day.

After deducting 15,352,000 gallons supplied by meter to various premises (Schools, Works, Hotels, Clubs and Farms), this gives an average consumption of 33.04 gallons per head per day for domestic use.

Drainage and Sewerage

Only 30 outlying properties are not connected to the sewerage system. These are in outlying parts of the district, 8 being farms. Most of these properties have septic tanks. Only 3 houses are not on a water carriage system.

Sewage disposal is by precipitation and filtration over 3 coke filters at the Sewage Works at Harrisons Farm. The effluent is discharged into the River Douglas.

The Adlington Sewage Works has been seriously overloaded for a considerable time, and this is restricting development in the urban district. The matter of improved sewage disposal facilities in conjunction with other Authorities in the Douglas Valley area has made considerable progress, and it is expected that

the finalised Scheme to lay a trunk sewer via Standish to Wigan will be approved by the Minister and will go for tender in 1971.

Refuse Collection and Disposal

1892 moveable dustbins are emptied weekly by the local authority. Since the termination of tipping facilities on The Common it has not been possible to obtain an alternative site within the District and household refuse has been disposed of by tipping at the Chorley Borough Tip.

The disposal of refuse has become an increasing problem due to the changing nature of the refuse and the increase in bulk. The collection has also been adversely affected by the long haul to the Tip in Chorley, and whereas formerly the weekly collection was completed in four days it is now taking 5 days, but every effort is being made to maintain the regularity of collection.

Cleansing of Drains and Closets

Closet accommodation :

Privy middens - Number of middens ..	nil.
Number of Pail Closets ..	1
Number of waste water closets ..	1
Number of fresh water closets ..	2212

Public Lavatories

There are Sanitary Conveniences at Babylon Lane and Station Road, and on the upper Recreation Ground. The Conveniences are cleaned daily by the Council's workmen. Wilful damage still occurs from time to time.

Shops

There are 43 registered Food shops in the Urban District. No formal action under the Shops Act or Public Health Act 1936 was taken during the year. The County Council are responsible for the administration of the Shops Act. Your Public Health Inspector made 39 visits to these premises during the year.

Camping Sites

There are no camping sites in the urban district.

Smoke Abatement

Number of Factory Chimneys in the area ..	3
Number of observations taken during the year ..	11

No legal proceedings were necessary for excessive smoke emissions during the year. Personal contact is maintained with the firms and their boiler staff by the Public Health Inspector.

Disinfestation of Houses

No houses were found to be infested during the year.

Schools

The following Schools are within the Urban District, and their water supply is from the mains:-

Adlington C.E. Infants School.
St. Paul's C.E. Infants and Junior Schools.

A new Infants School for St. Paul's has been completed and opened, and new internal sanitary and cloakroom accommodation is now being provided in the existing School.

Other Matters

There are no Common Lodging Houses or "houses let in lodgings" registered; no Swimming Baths or Pools; no underground sleeping rooms; no premises where rag flock is manufactured, and no premises used for Offensive Trades.

Summary of Sanitary Inspections

No. of premises visited ..	254
No. of visits made to the premises ..	565
No. of Nuisances discovered ..	150
No. of Nuisances abated ..	145
No. of Informal notices served ..	24
No. of Statutory Notices served ..	4

There were no legal proceedings for the Abatement of Nuisances.

HOUSING

(1) Number of new dwellings erected during the year:-

			Houses	Flats
(1)	By Local Authority	..	..	-
(2)	By other local authorities	..	..	-
(3)	By other bodies or persons	..	..	57

(2) Total number of dwellings owned by the Local Authority at 31st December, 1968

378

(3) Inspections of Dwelling Houses during the year:

(i) (a)	Total no. of dwellings inspected formally or informally for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	..	..	151
(b)	No. of inspections, formal or informal, made for the purpose	..	..	250
(c)	No. of dwellings in (a) above found to be not in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation but capable of being rendered fit.			51
(ii)	Total No. of dwellings existing at end of year which were unfit for human habitation and not capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit and in respect of which -			
(a)	Demolition, Clearance or Closing Orders have been made (at any time)	..	..	3
(b)	Demolition, Clearance or Closing Orders have not yet been made.	..	..	2

(4) Houses Demolished:

In or adjoining Clearance Areas:

(i)	Houses unfit for human habitation	..	-
(ii)	Houses included by reason of bad arrangement		-
(iii)	Houses on land acquired under Section 43(2), Housing Act, 1957	..	-

Not in or adjoining Clearance Areas:

(iv)	As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 17(1), Housing Act, 1957	..	-
(v)	Local Authority-owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health	..	-
(vi)	Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under local Acts	..	-
(vii)	Unfit houses included in Unfitness Orders		-

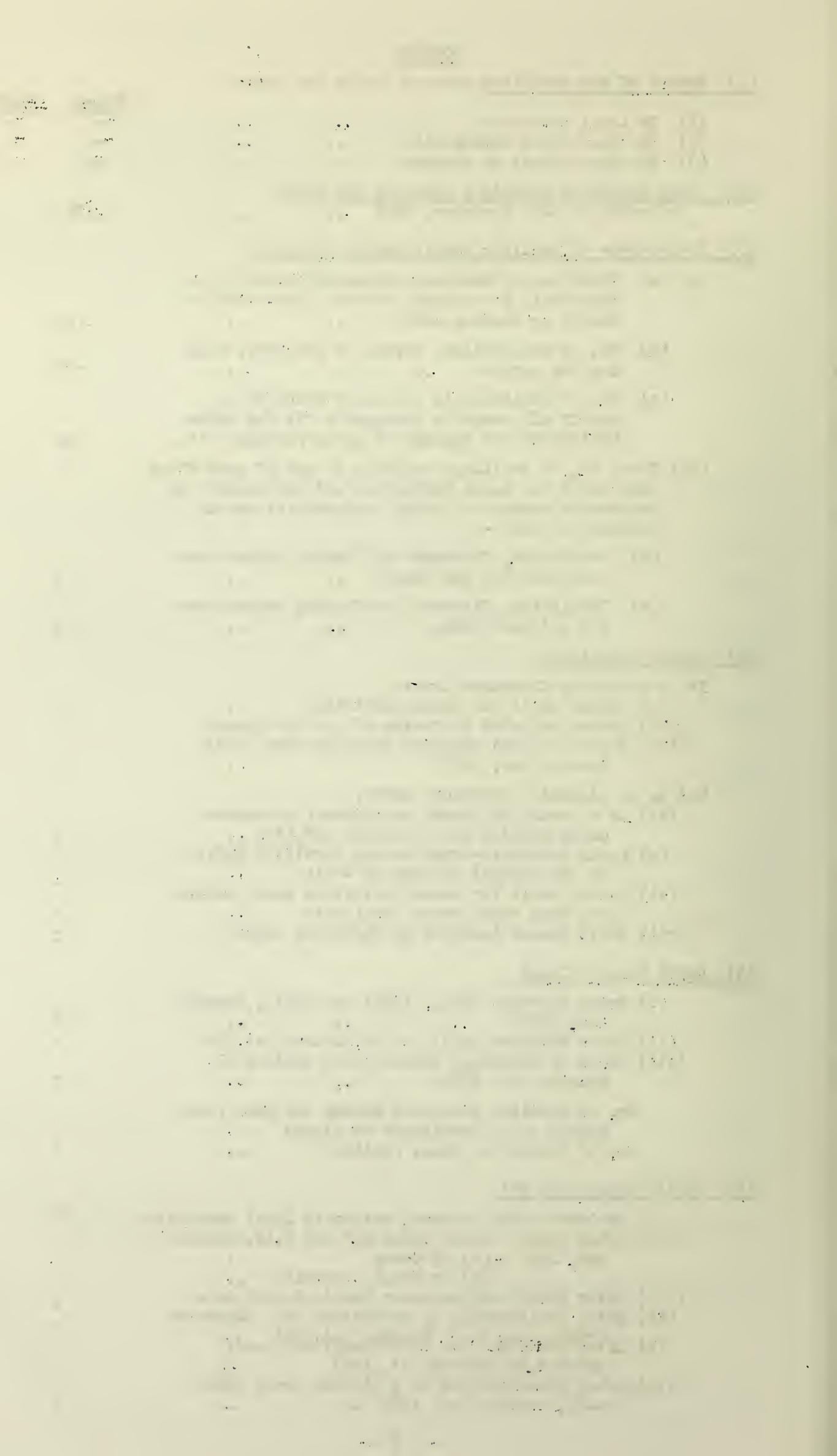
(5) Unfit Houses Closed

(i)	Under Sections 16(4), 17(1) and 35(1), Housing Act, 1957	..	1
(ii)	Under Sections 17(3) and 26, Housing Act, 1957	..	-
(iii)	Parts of buildings closed under Section 18, Housing Act, 1957	..	-

No. of Families displaced during the year from Houses to be demolished or closed ..
No. of Persons in these families ..

(6) Unfit Houses made fit

(i)	By Owner after informal action by local authority.	24
(ii)	After formal notice under S.9 and S.16, Housing Act, 1957 - (a) By Owner ..	-
	(b) By Local Authority ..	-
(iii)	After formal notice under Public Health Acts	2
(iv)	After modification or revocation of a Clearance Order under S.21, Housing Act, 1961	-
(v)	After determination of a demolition order under S.24 Housing Act, 1957 ..	-
(vi)	After determination of a closing order under S.27, Housing Act, 1961 ..	1



7. Unfit Houses in Temporary Use (Housing Act 1957):

	No. of Houses (1)	No. of separate dwellings, Col.(1). (2)
Position at end of year:-		
(i) Retained for temporary accommodation		
(a) Under section 48	..	-
(b) Under section 17(2)	..	-
(c) Under Section 46	..	-
(ii) Licensed for temporary accommodation under Section 34 or Section 53	..	-

8. Purchase of Houses by Agreement:

Houses	Occupants
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Houses in Clearance Areas other than those included in confirmed Orders or Compulsory Purchase Orders:-

Discretionary Grants

No applications for Discretionary Grants for the improvement of houses were received.

Standard Grants

	Private Bodies or individuals		Local Authority	
	No. of Schemes	No. of Houses or Other bldgs. affected.	No. of Schemes	No. of Houses or Other bldgs. affected
(a) Submitted by private individuals to Local Authority	25	25	-	-
(b) Approved by Local Authority	25	25	-	-
(c) Work completed	16	16	-	-

The number of applications from owner-occupiers increased considerably during the year.

HOUSING CONDITIONS

Approximately 800 of the houses in the Urban District are pre-1914; many are stone built with slated roofs, and are mainly of the two or three bedroom terraced type, many of the older ones being without bathrooms or hot water originally but a considerable number of these have, over the years, been modernised, and especially since the Grants for improvement came into operation.

Less than 200 houses and shops with living accommodation (other than Council houses) are rented property. Most of these are reasonably well-maintained.

Since 1945 there have been 691 dwellings built, 248 of these Council dwellings and 443 private houses or bungalows.

During 1970 57 dwellings were completed for private owners and 48 houses were under construction at the end of December on four sites. Plans for a further 58 houses and bungalows have been approved for these sites, and building is expected to commence in 1971.

The Council propose to lease a few further plots on their Grove Field Estate.

Overcrowding and Housing Shortage

During the year 22 applications -13 for houses and 9 for bungalows or one-bedroom flats were received. Five of these were from persons living outside Adlington.

Four Council houses and 3 Old People's bungalows and one - one bedroom

Flat were re-let to applicants on the Housing List.

There are no known cases of overcrowding in the District.

Special Housing Accommodation for the Elderly

The scheme of 16 warden-controlled bungalows in Grove Avenue has become an integral part of the community, and is proving very successful.

Anderton Street

Clearance of Unfit Houses

A detailed survey of the houses in Anderton Street was made, and my Official Representation in respect of 22 houses in this Street was submitted to the Public Health Committee in December: the Anderton Street (Slum Clearance) Compulsory Purchase Order 1970 was made by the Council on 14th December 1970 and will be submitted to the Minister of the Environment for confirmation in 1971.

Future Housing Programme

Plans for the redevelopment of Farnworth Street land have been prepared. Town Planning application has been made, and the Council's Architects are having the necessary consultations with the Ministry. The Council's proposals are for 41 dwellings comprising 21 - 3 bedroom houses and 20 one-bedroom flats. This development will complete the extension of Windsor Avenue to Park Road.

Housing Act 1969

Qualification Certificates

One application for a Qualification Certificate was received during the year, and is being dealt with.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963

	Class of Business				
	Offices	Retail Shops	Whole-sale Shops	Catering Establishments open to public	Fuel Storage Depots
a. No. of registered premises at end of year	7	19	-	3	-
b. No. of registered premises receiving a general inspection during year	7	19	-	3	-
c. No. of exemptions current at end of year:-					
Space (S.5(2))	-	-	-	-	-
Temperature (S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Convces. (S.9)	-	-	-	-	-
Wa. Washing facilities (S.10)	-	-	-	-	-

The Public Health Inspector made 36 visits to registered premises.

There were no prosecutions.

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 to 1959

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the
Factories Acts, 1937
Part I of the Act

1. Inspections made for the purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by the Public Health Inspector).

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers prosecuted
(1) Factories in which sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by the Local Authority	3	3	-	-
(2) Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	31	17	-	-
(3) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority (excluding Outworkers' Premises)	-	-	-	-
Total	34	20	-	-

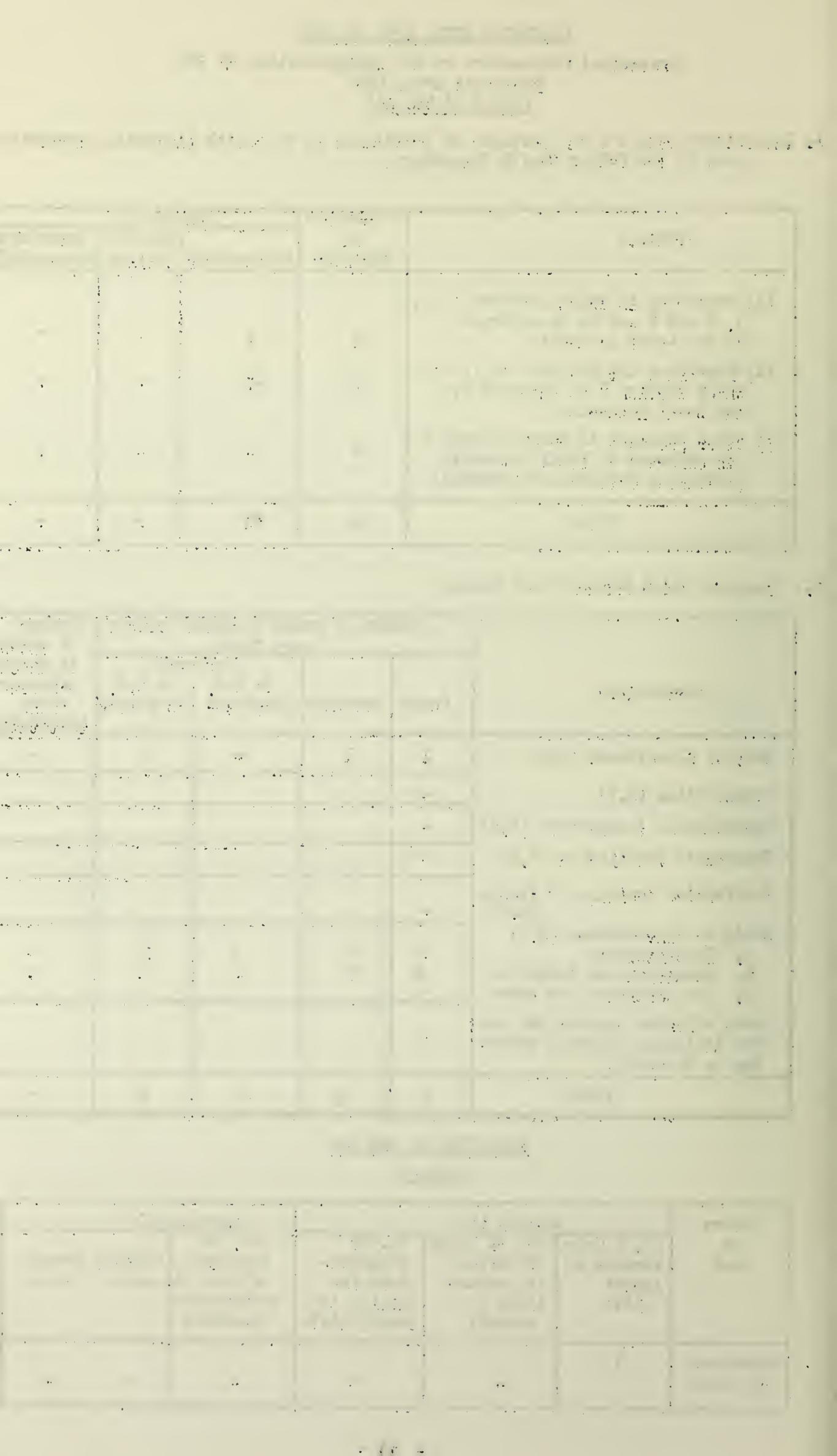
2. Cases in which defects were found:

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions instituted.	
	Found	Remedied	Referred			
			To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector		
Want of Cleanliness (S.1)	1	1	-	1	-	
Overcrowding (S.2)	-					
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	-					
Inadequate Ventilation (S.4)	-					
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	-					
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)						
a. Insufficient	-	-	-	1	-	
b. Unsuitable or defective	3	3	-	-	-	
c. Not separated for sexes	-					
Other offences against the Act (Not including offences relating to Outwork).	-					
Total	4	4	-	2	-	

Part VIII of the Act

Outwork

Nature of work	Section 110			Section 111	
	No. of Out-workers in August list	No. of cases of default in sending lists to Council	No. of prosecutions for failing to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served Prosecutions
Christmas Crackers	3	-	-	-	- -



INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

Milk Supply

There are 3 producer-retailers with premises in Adlington and 4 retailers with premises outside the District retailing milk in Adlington. In addition there are 5 shops licensed to sell Sterilised Milk.

The licensing of Milk Retailers is now the responsibility of the Lancashire County Council and not the Local Authority.

Milk Samples

Samples of raw milk collected from a local producer-retailer by your Public Health Inspector were found to contain brucella organisms, and accordingly, a Heat Treatment Notice was served on the producer-retailer on 25th November 1970 to remain in force until the Laboratory reports showed that further samples of milk were free from infection.

Such infected milk can cause a disease known as undulant fever in man. Heat treatment renders the milk safe for human consumption but the ultimate aim is the eradication of the infection in dairy herds, and to this end the Government's scheme is gaining momentum.

Meat

There is no Licensed Slaughterhouse within the District. Slaughtering is carried out at Chorley Abattoir.

There are 3 Butchers and one Pork Butcher in the District, and 4 visits were made to these shops during the year.

Other Foods

Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960.

Routine inspections of premises where other foods are prepared or kept for sale have been made by the Public Health Inspector: during the year 29 visits were made. No formal action for contravention of the Regulations was required.

The following table gives the number of food premises by type of business in the District at the end of the year under review, grouped in categories of trade:-

Category	Number of premises	No. fitted to comply with Reg.16	No. to which Reg.19 applies	No. fitted to comply with Reg.19
Grocers & Provision dealers	19	19	19	19
Greengrocers & Fruiterers (inc. Fishmongers)	4	4	4	4
Butchers	4	4	4	4
Bakers & Confectioners	5	5	5	5
Fried Fish Shops	5	5	5	5
Shops selling mainly Sugar Confectionery, Minerals, Ice-cream etc.	6	6	6	6
Licensed premises, Clubs, Canteens, Cafes, etc.	15	15	15	15

Unsound Food

During the year 130 lbs. of assorted foods were surrendered as unfit for human consumption.

Ice-Cream

Ice-cream retailed in shops throughout the District is confined to pre-packed standard brands, but 3 manufacturers from neighbouring districts retail from travelling vans in Adlington.

Liquid Egg (Pasteurisation) Regulations, 1963

There are no liquid egg pasteurisation plants in this area, and from enquiries made by the Public Health Inspector, it appears that no liquid egg is used by local bakers and confectioners.

Poultry Inspection

There are no Poultry processing premises within the Urban District.

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

Rodent Control

Properties other than Sewers

Sewers

A test treatment for Rodent Infestation was carried out during the year. A slight infestation was found and the necessary action taken.

